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CBC NEWSLETTER

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LITCHFIELD BEACH SITE OF WINTER MEETING

Litchfield Inn, Litchfield Beach, SC will be headquarters for the Carolina Bird Club winter meeting January 25-27, 1985. An outstanding program has been planned with field trips scheduled for several areas not open to our group previously. Evening meetings will be hled at the new education center at Brookgreen Gardens. Use the forms provided in the Newsletter to reserve accomodations and register for the meeting. Advance registration is $4 for each member and $5 for each nonmember. Registration at time of meeting will be $5 for each member and $6 for each nonmember. A registration name tag will be required for admission to Brookgreen Gardens for the meetings.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

FRIDAY, January 25

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration in lobby of Litchfield Inn

8:00 Evening meeting at new education center in Brookgreen Gardens Use gate immediately South of main entrance. Program: "White Ibis Behavorial Ecology" by Dr. Keith Bildstein, Associate Professor of Biology, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, SC.

Field trip information and sign up. Refreshments.

SATURDAY, January 26

6:30 - 10:00 a.m. Field trips leave from announced locations.

8:00 p.m. Evening meeting at Brookgreen Gardens. Program: "American Swallow-tailed Kite Home Range and Habitat Use in South Carolina" presented by John Cely, Wildlife Biologist, S.C. Wildlife and Marine Resources Department, Columbia, SC, and "A Photographic Essay of Least Tern Nesting Biology by Robert M. Schmitt" presented by Greg Cornwell, Education Coordinator, Grookgreen Gardens, Murrells Inlet, SC.

Countdown of birds seen on field trips. Refreshments.

SUNDAY, January 27

Birding on your own.

SPECIAL PLACES - SPECIAL PEOPLE

The Carolina Bird Club wishes to acknowledge and thank the following persons for the privilege granted to us in the use of property and/or facilities owned or administered by them:

Mr. Gurdon Tarbox, Jr., Director, Brookgreen Gardens

Mrs. Wendy Allen, Baruch Foundation, Hobcaw Barony & Bellefield Nature Center

Mr. Ted Turner, Owner; Mr. Kenny Williams, Caretaker, Kinloch Plantation

Mrs. Wallace Pate, Owner; Mr. Fred Powell, Caretaker, Arcadia Plantation

We are sincerely grateful for the opportunities which they have made available to us.

FIELD TRIPS

Site #1 Hobcaw Barony & Bellefield Nature Center. Meet at 7:00 a.m. at the Bellefield Nature Center 1 mile north of the Georgetown bridge on US 17. Coffee and short film "Belle's Legacy" then birding on the 17,000 acre Hobcaw Barony from 3 vans. No long distance walking.

Site #2 Huntington Beach State Park Causeway and Jetty, Meet at 8:00 a.m. at causeway near alligator overlook. Birding at causeway and long walk to jetty.

Site #3 Kinloch Plantation. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at location to be announced. 5,000 acre plantation with diked, old rice fields which are managed for ducks. 15 car limit.

Site #4 Brookgreen Gardens Wildlife Park Aviary and Sculpture Gardens. Meet at 10:00 a.m. at Brookgreen Education Center in the Wildlife Park. A walking tour of the Aviary will include a discussion of adaptations of birds to life in the cypress swamp. A tour of the sculpture gardens will include historical information concerning the development of the sculpture gardens by the Huntingtons. These tours will be at a slow pace and should be of special interest to non-birders.

Site #5 Arcadia Plantation. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at Litchfield and carpool to Debordieu Colony Club. Entrance on east side of US 17, 3 miles north of the Georgetown (Waccamaw River) bridge. 2 mile drive through golf course to observe ducks then enter 10,000 acre Arcadia Plantation, which is a wildlife preserve. Large pond with a blind holding 5 persons usually has 5,000 - 7,000 ducks in January. Also walk along beach for shorebirds.

Site #6 Bulls Island. Meet at 6:30 at Litchfield Inn to travel to Moore's Landing. Depart on 15 minute boat ride at 8:00 a.m. A second trip has been reserved at 8:30. Cost of the round trip is $10. Participation limited to 6 persons on each trip. If there is interest, additional trips will be scheduled. Walk through maritime forest-view ducks at various ponds and woodland birds-then walk on beach. Return trips from island around 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL NOTE: All trips will require bag lunch--come prepared!

RARE BIRD ALERT READY TO FLY

The CBC Rare Bird Alert Committee composed of Ramona Snavely, Chairman, Heathy Walker, Dick Brown, Evelyn Dabbs and George Morgan(ex officio) reports that the CBC Rare Bird Alert number will be operational January 1, 1985. The equipment will be housed in the Carolina Raptor Rehabilitation Center in Charlotte, NC which is directed by former CBC president Dick Brown. A successful fund raising effort was launched by the initial contribution of Bob Odear of High Point. Audubon Chapters affiliated with CBC in Wake, Forsyth and Mecklenburg Counties added generous amounts, and over $200 was raised at the fall meeting. Additional tax deductible contributions may be sent to CBC headquarters designated for the Rare Bird Alert.

Interested birders may call the RBA number for a recorded message detailing recent sightings, migratory activity, etc. in the Carolinas which will be updated weekly on Wednesdays by 5:00 p.m. At the end of the message there will be an opportunity to report any noteworthy sighting. The following information should be furnished: date of sighting, exact location with detailed instructions to site, other pertinent information such as best time to observe, etc., and your name, telephone number, and home state if sighting needs to be confirmed. Remember--any significant information about birds in your area is desired--not just rare birds. The RBA will only be as successful as we make it.

CBC RARE BIRD ALERT

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Charlotte, NC 28297

Phone 703/875-2525

THE TRAVELING BIRDWATCHER

THE WHOOPING CRANE SAILS ON

BOB and DOROTHY HADER have just returned from a trip to visit their daughter in Texas. Of course Bob checked out all the birding sites along the way. He reports that the legendary Capt. Brownie Brown died earlier this year. His successor is Capt. Ted Appell who is running the Whooping Crane trips to the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge Tuesday through Sunday leaving at 8:00 a.m. The cost is $15 for adults and $10 for children under 10. The address is Star Route 1, Box 85, Rockport, TX, phone 512/729-2341.

BULLS ISLAND BOAT

Regularly scheduled boat trips to Bulls Island in Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge have been re-established after an 8 year absence. John Pryor of Mount Pleasant has contracted to make the trips every Friday, Saturday and Sunday with departure from Moore's Landing scheduled for 8:00 a.m. The last trip back from the island will be made at 4:30 p.m. Round trip cost is $10 for adults and $5 for children under 12. Further information is available by calling Pryor (803/884-0448) or the refuge (803/928-3368).

NEW DUES SCHEDULE

Notice of 1985 dues has been mailed to all CBC members in accordance with the new schedule adopted at a business meeting of the Carolina Bird Club at the fall meeting in Franklin, NC on September 14, 1984. Any members who have paid their dues early at the old rates are requested to forward the difference upon receipt of the notice. A final notice will be mailed March 1, 1985, and the membership of those deliquent on April 1, 1985 will be cancelled. The new schedule is:

Individual	$12	Family	$15
Student	$ 6	Patron	$50
Library/Institution	$15		
Affiliated Club	$15		
Life Membership	$200		

LITCHFIELD INN RESERVATION REQUEST
Carolina Bird Club Winter Meeting, January 25-27, 1985

NAME_____ ADDRESS_____

CITY_____ STATE_____ ZIP_____

Indicate type of accomodations desired. To cost of room shown add 7% state tax. Members of AARP are entitled to 10% discount. Enclose check for deposit of first night's lodging. Cancellation subject to $5 penalty if received within 48 hours of arrival date.

____ Ocean front ($41)
____ Poolside & Efficiencies ($36)
____ Lodge ($29)
____ Villas (2BR, 2Bath) ($45)

Arrival date_____

Departure date_____

AARP #_____

Mail to Litchfield Inn, PO Drawer 98, Pawleys Island, SC 29585. Phone 803/237-4211

REGISTRATION FORM
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NAME(S)_____

ADDRESS_____ CITY_____ STATE_____ ZIP_____

Enclosed is my check in the amount of $_____ for ___member registrations at $4 each and____ nonmember registrations at $5 each.

Mail to Carolina Bird Club, Inc., PO Box 27647, Raleigh, NC 27611

Welcome New Members

CLYDE ATKINS
Sanford, NC

MRS. JOHN BETTIS
Charleston, SC

ROBIN BJORK
Wrightsville Beach, NC

THE BURTONS
Athens, GA

DELORES CAMERON
Leesburg, FL

DR/MRS STEPHEN CLEMENT
Tryon, NC

M/M MICHAEL COSTELLO
Johns Island, SC

IRENE CRANE
Gastonia, NC

M/M TERRY DUNN
Mocksville, NC

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CAROL HARRISON
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M/M ROBERT HIGBIE
Vilas, NC

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Greenville, SC

FRANCES INGLIS
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Chapel Hill, NC

M/M JOHN LENNOX
Tryon, NC

CHRIS LUKER
Belmont, NC

E. D. MAURER
Tryon, NC

MARY MCDANIEL
Charlotte, NC

M/M DOUGLAS MCMILLAN
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Sunset Beach, NC

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HARRIETT WHITSETT
Charlotte, MC

PAUL & WANDA WILLIAMS
Raleigh, NC

MARK & SUE YANDLE
Winston-Salem, NC

ALOHA

Former CBC executive committee member DANA NEWMAN says that she is looking forward to a warmer Christmas Bird Count this year. She and her Marine Corps husband, Steve, are on a three year tour of duty in "Beautiful Hawaii." Their new address is 55-645 B Kam Hiway, Laie, Hawaii 96762.

MOST WANTED LIST

RON WARNER has completed his compilation of the birds CBC members most want to see. The results: 1) Black Rail 2) Bachman's Warbler 3) Yellow Rail 4)Northern Saw-whet Owl 5)Red Crossbill 6) Swallow-tailed Kite 7) Cerulean Warbler 8) Long-eared Owl 9) Curlew Sandpiper 10) White-faced Storm Petrel.

BIRD LIST

CBC member JOHN O. **FUSSELL III** is the compiler of "Birds of the Seashore," a checklist of birds of the Cape Lookout National Seashore, published recently by the National Park Service Copies may be obtained from Cape Lookout Nat. Seashore, PO Bx 690, Beaufort, NC 28516.

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